Market Price Considerations Week Beginning March 6, 2017

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NEAR TERM MARKET CONSIDERATIONS WEEK BEGINNING MARCH 6, 2017

This Weeks Select Summary Considerations:

- ★ <u>10-Year US Treasury Yield</u>: Moving in a sideways range between 2.3 2.5, potentially slightly bullish with a lower yield
- <u>US Dollar Index</u>: More weakness than strength presently, defining a trading range between 99 104
- <u>CRB Index</u>: Global macro forces in general remain supportive as global growth and reflationary forces slowly bear fruit
- SWTIC Light Crude Oil: A very important indicator of a confirmed commodity breakout would be Light Crude Oil closing and holding above \$55 per barrel. Geo-economic and geopolitical issues seem to dominate price action. Technically this market appears in search of higher highs, fundamentals suggest some corrective price action should be anticipated
- Soybeans: More price weakness and ongoing consolidation has occurred since the week of February 13, 2017 than anticipated. Corrective price action appears to be underway. Potential price move toward the previous June 2016 \$12.08 per bushel high or higher is still in play
- × Corn: The potential of achieving a price level of \$4.11- plus per bushel remains in play

NEAR TERM MARKET CONSIDERATIONS WEEK BEGINNING MARCH 6, 2017

Near Term Summary Considerations:

- × <u>Rice:</u> Lagging demand increasingly problematic
 - + Overplanting in 2017 given present fundamentals would provide added market challenges
 - + Price will move in sympathy with grain prices and global economic momentum
 - + Rice producers overriding consideration for 2017 should be managing for a quality grain kernel
- <u>Cotton</u>: Complex price action underway with a bullish price objective into the 84-cent area stills remains in play. Fed verbal guidance and fiscal and trade policy considerations appear to have created some near term headwinds for cotton market prices
- **Wheat:** Price action a little spastic, but bullish price potential to \$4.95 still a possibility
- <u>SPY SPDR S&P 500 ETF</u>: Bullish price action and positive trend, prices can always correct or consolidate and give back some of their gains
- × <u>QQQ NASDAQ Power Shares:</u> Another good week, corrective price action needed, but not required
- <u>EFA iShares ETF Global Equities Excluding U.S. and Canada:</u> Building momentum and price strength
- × <u>EEM iShares ETF, Emerging Market Equities:</u> Slight pause, but momentum remains positive

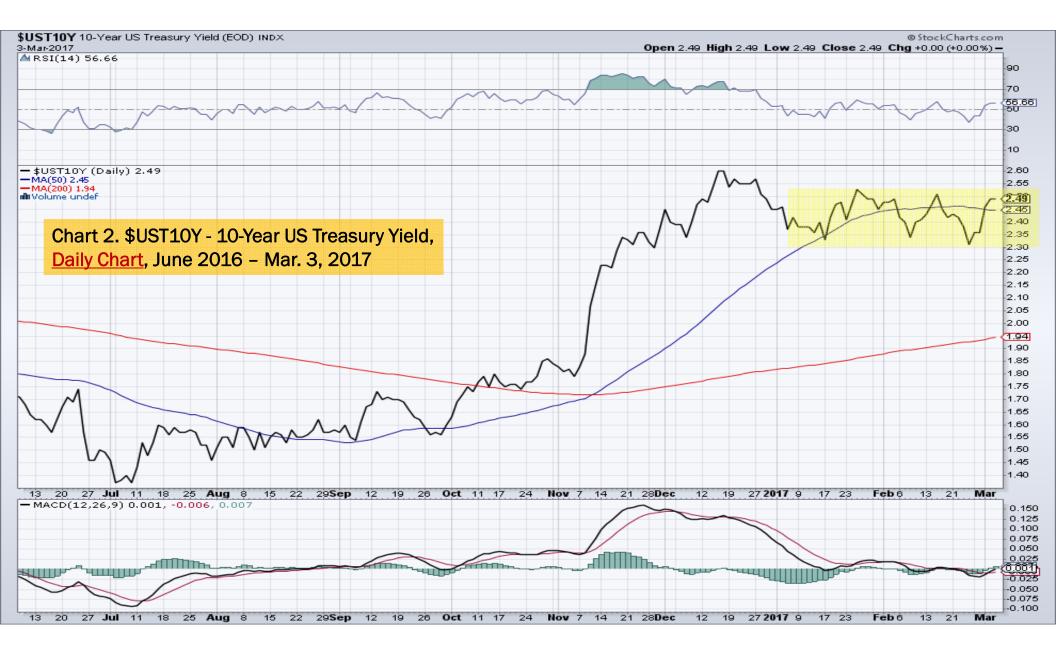
\$UST10Y – 10 Year US Treasury Yield Monthly Charts - Presentation

This Week

Primary Consideration:

- Near term yield remains in a sideways range between 2.3 2.5. This week potentially slightly bullish with a lower yield
- This is a market that likely builds a trading range for the next one to two years with Global Government and Central Bank intervention and unfolding global events defining potential upside with a potential top at 3-possibly higher
- As global events unfold (economic, political, social, etc.) chart activity will provide guidance
- Present market structure suggests financial institutions and borrowers are winners at these levels
- Some suggest the 35 year bull bond market will be over with a yield that holds above 2.6, others at 3.0; Actually, global fiscal and monetary policy market intervention likely make picking these points very premature
- This is a market that could simply move sideways for a few years and even revisit the previous low or make a new low







US Dollar Index Weekly, Daily, and Monthly Charts

This Week

Primary Considerations:

- More weakness than strength presently
- Defining a trading range 99 -104
- The following determines sideways consolidation for a period or a resumption of the dollar's move to the upside:
 - 2017 European Union management/mismanagement a key factor in dollar strength or weakness in the year ahead with next major test being the French Elections
 - <u>Bigger Picture</u>: Global interventionist Government and Central Bank activities will define dollar strength or weakness over the next 3 to 12 months, including President Trump's currency, trade, regulatory policy objectives







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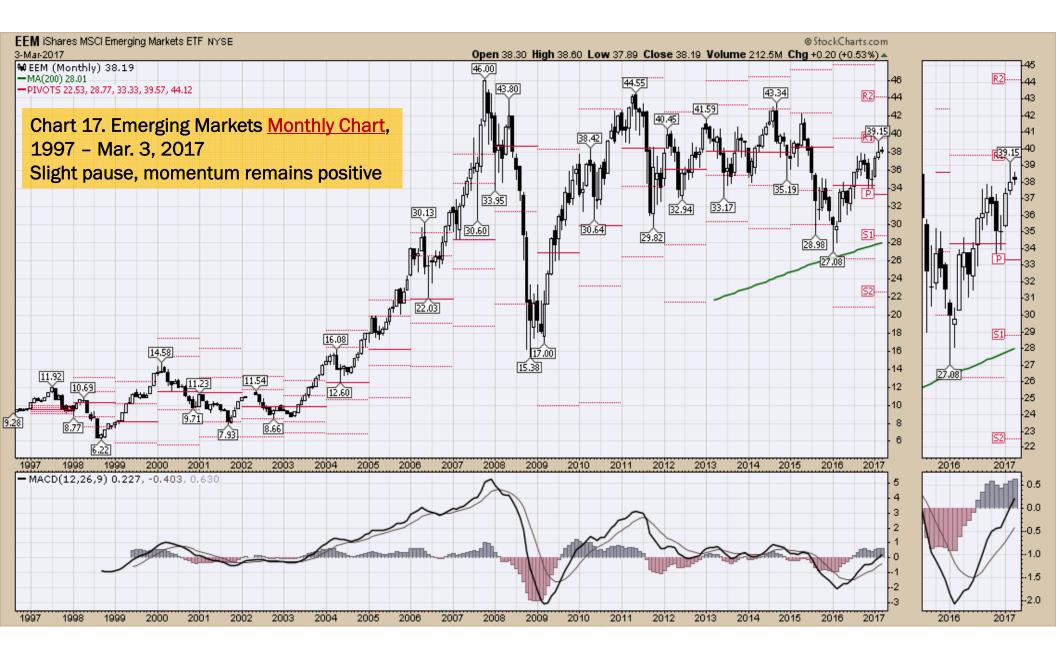






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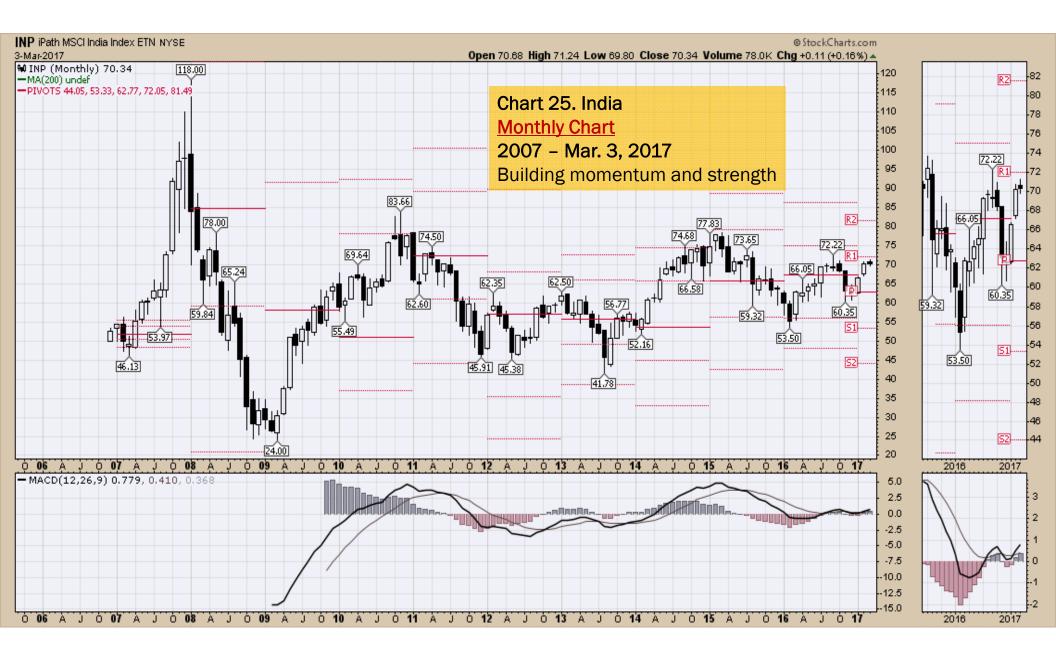












CRB Commodity Index Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

This Week <u>Primary consideration</u>:

- This indicator has been struggling since the week of February 13, 2017 due in-part to Fed continuing verbal guidance
- Global macro forces in general remain supportive as global growth and reflationary forces bear fruit
- That said, for the CRB Commodity Index to move higher will likely be a function of oil price leadership and/or broad commodity support, a reasonably stable to weaker dollar and belief and confidence in global fiscal/monetary policy leadership
- <u>A cautionary note -- The \$CRB below 180 would be a dangerous negative for the commodity sector</u>







\$WTIC Light Crude Oil Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

This Week

Primary Consideration:

- A very important indicator of a confirmed commodity breakout would be Light Crude Oil closing and holding above \$55 per barrel. Geo-economic and geopolitical issues seem to dominate price action. Technically this market appears in search of higher highs, fundamentals suggest some corrective price action should be anticipated
- 2017 Likely primary range \$40 to \$60 with possible high in \$72 area
- Washington Leadership likely bullish U.S. production
- OPEC and other oil producers have major role in defining 2017 price structure
- Global uncertainties supportive of prices







Soybeans Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

This Week

Primary Consideration:

- More price weakness and ongoing consolidation has occurred since the week of February 13, 2017 than anticipated. Corrective price action appears to be underway
- Potential price move toward the previous June 2016 \$12.08 per bushel high or higher is still in play

Additional Thought:

 Market participants appear to have a risk appetite. Being short means at least having close mental stops







Corn Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

Near Term Primary consideration:

• The potential of achieving a price level of \$4.11- plus per bushel remains in play







Rice Quarterly and Daily Charts

Near Term

Primary consideration:

- Lagging demand increasingly problematic
- Overplanting in 2017 given present fundamentals would provide added market challenges
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Cotton Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

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Wheat Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

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